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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Matthew Vacek et al. Examiner: Mark Graham  
Serial No.: 09/883790 Group Art Unit: 3711  
Filed: June 18, 2001 Docket No: 1470.001US1  
Title: COMPOSITE SOFTBALL BAT

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS APPEAL BRIEF - PATENT  
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Prior to consideration of Appellants' Brief on Appeal filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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